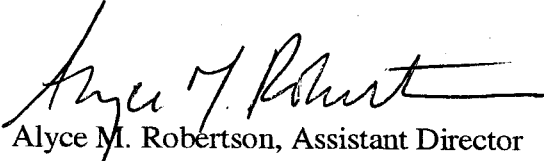


TO: Diane O' Quinn-Williams, Director
Department of Planning and Zoning

DATE: January 20, 2004

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SUBJECT: #Z2003000216-Revised
Todd Ruderman
9299 NW 7th Avenue
DBC from BU-2 to BU-3
(BU-2) (3.08 Ac.)
01-53-41

FROM: 
Alyce M. Robertson, Assistant Director
Environmental Resources Management

DERM has reviewed the subject application and has determined that it meets the minimum requirements of Chapter 24 of the Code of the Miami-Dade County, Florida. Accordingly, DERM may approve the application and it may be scheduled for public hearing. DERM has also evaluated the request insofar as the general environmental impact that may derive from it, and based upon the available information offers no objection to its approval.

Potable Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal:

Public water and public sanitary sewers can be made available to this property. Therefore, DERM will require connection to the public water supply and public sanitary sewer systems.

Existing public water and sewer facilities and services meet the Level of Service (LOS) standards set forth in the Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP). Furthermore, the proposed development order, if approved, will not result in a reduction in the LOS standards subject to compliance with the conditions required by DERM for this proposed development order.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in light of the fact that the County's sanitary sewer system has limited sewer collection, transmission, and treatment capacity, no new sewer service connections can be permitted, unless there is adequate capacity to handle the additional flows that this project would generate. Consequently, final development orders for this site may not be granted if adequate capacity in the system is not available at the point in time when the project will be contributing sewage to the system. Lack of adequate capacity in the system may require the approval of alternative means of sewage disposal. Use of an alternative means of sewage disposal may only be granted in accordance with Code requirements, and shall be an interim measure, with connection to the public sanitary sewer system required upon availability of adequate collection/transmission and treatment capacity.

Stormwater Management:

All stormwater shall be retained on site utilizing properly designed seepage or infiltration drainage structures. Drainage plans shall provide for full on-site retention of the stormwater runoff of a 5-year storm event. Pollution Control devices shall be required at all drainage inlet structures.

A Standard General Environmental Resource Permit from DERM shall be required for the construction and operation of the required surface water management system. The applicant is

advised to contact DERM in order to obtain additional information concerning permitting requirements.

Site grading and development shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 11C of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Any proposed development shall comply with County and Federal flood criteria requirements. The proposed development order, if approved, will not result in a reduction in the Level of Service standards for flood protection set forth in the Comprehensive Development Master Plan subject to compliance with the conditions required by DERM for this proposed development order.

Hazardous Materials Management:

Due to the nature of uses allowed in the requested zoning classification, the applicant may be required to obtain DERM approval for management practices to control the potential discharge and spillage of pollutants associated with some land uses permitted in the proposed zoning district. The applicant is advised to contact the DERM Industrial Facilities Section concerning required management practices.

Operating Permits:

Section 24-35.1 of the Code authorizes DERM to require operating permits from facilities that could be a source of pollution. The applicant should be advised that due to the nature of some land uses permitted under the requested zoning classification, operating permits from DERM might be required. It is therefore suggested that the applicant contact DERM concerning operating requirements.

Fuel Storage Facilities:

Section 24-12.2 of the Code outlines regulations for any proposed or existing underground storage facilities. The regulations provide design, permitting, installation, modification, repair, replacement and continuing operation requirements and criteria. In addition, monitoring devices, inventory control practices and pressure testing of fuel storage tanks is required. The Storage Tank Section of DERM should be contacted for permitting requirements in this regard, if any fuel storage facility is requested.

Hazardous Waste:

A review of the DERM records indicates that there are no records of current or historical contamination assessment/remediation issues on the subject site.

A search within 500 feet of the property sites was conducted to identify sites with current or historical contamination issues. The sites listed below were identified:

Tif Instruments, Inc.

IW5-7157

9101 NW 7 Ave

Former industrial waste contaminated site. Case closed on April 26, 1996.

Metro Ford, Inc. (4 discharges)

IW5-976

9000 NW 7 Ave.

Former industrial waste contaminated site. Case closed on February 20, 2002

Industrial waste contaminated site. Currently in assessment phase.

Former petroleum contaminated site. Cases closed on December 19, 1997 & December 11, 2001.

Wetlands:

The subject site is not located in jurisdictional wetlands as defined in Chapter 24-3 and 24-58 of the Code; therefore, a Class IV Permit for work in wetlands will not be required by DERM.

Notwithstanding the above, permits from the Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE), the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) may be required for the proposed project. The applicant is advised to contact these agencies concerning their permit procedures and requirements.

Tree Preservation:

Section 24-60 of the Code requires the preservation of tree resources. A Miami-Dade County tree removal permit is required prior to the removal or relocation of any trees. The applicant is advised to contact DERM staff for permitting procedures and requirements.

Enforcement History:

DERM has reviewed the Permits and Enforcement database and the Enforcement Case Tracking System and has found no open or closed formal enforcement records for the subject properties identified in the subject application.

Concurrency Review Summary:

The Department has conducted a concurrency review for this application and has determined that the same meets all applicable Levels of Service standards for an initial development order, as specified in the adopted Comprehensive Development Master Plan for potable water supply, wastewater disposal and flood protection. Therefore, the application has been approved for concurrency subject to the comments and conditions contained herein.

This concurrency approval does not constitute a final concurrency statement and is valid only for this initial development order as provided for in the adopted methodology for concurrency review. Additionally, this approval does not constitute any assurance that the LOS standards would be met by any subsequent development order applications concerning the subject property.

In summary, the application meets the minimum requirements of Chapter 24 of the Code and therefore, it may be scheduled for public hearing; furthermore, this memorandum shall constitute DERM's written approval as required by the Code. Additionally, DERM has also evaluated the application so as to determine its general environmental impact and after reviewing the available information offers no objections to the approval of the request.

cc: Lynne Talleda, Zoning Hearings- P&Z

Franklin Gutierrez, Zoning Agenda Coordinator-P&Z